

which lie on the eastern side of the Cordillera. Our specimens from Costa Rica and Panama are also from the Atlantic side of the mountains.

The specimen obtained by Salvin at San Pablo Station on the Panama Railway was shot from a tree on the edge of the forest near the railway-bridge which crosses the Chagres river at Barbacoas.

MYIOPAGIS, gen. nov.

(Type *Elainea placens*, Scl.)

The form of the nostril of *Elainea placens* and its allies makes it necessary to separate this section of *Elainea* and place it under a distinct generic name; and though the outlines of the bill of *Myiopagis* are similar to those of *E. pagana*, we think that it is best placed near *Leptopogon*, which has somewhat similar nostrils, but a higher, more compressed bill.

The species we think ought to be removed from *Elainea* and placed under the new genus are:—*E. placens*, *E. subplacens*, *E. cotta*, *E. gaimardi*, *E. flavivertex*, *E. caniceps*, and perhaps *E. ruficeps*.

The general colours of the plumage of *Myiopagis* are olive above, with greyish throat and yellowish abdomen; there is also a concealed vertical crest of yellow or white: this crest is not, like that of *Elainea*, simply a few white feathers, but one constructed after that of *Tyrannus* and many other genera of this family.

The bill is moderately long, the sides nearly straight, converging gradually from the gape, the width of which is about half the length of the tomia; the nostrils are open, oval, and placed at the end of the nasal fossa, a membrane bordering them along the upper and hinder edges; the rictal bristles are moderately developed, hardly so much so as in *Elainea*; the tarsi are moderately stout and covered with distinct scutellæ; the outer toe is a little less than the inner toe; the 3rd and 4th quills are the longest in the wing; 5th > 2nd, 1st = 8th; the tail is long and scarcely emarginate, nearly = wing, wing nearly = 4 tarsus.

The distribution of *Myiopagis* includes nearly the whole of tropical America from Southern Mexico to Paraguay.

1. *Myiopagis placens*.

Elainea placens, Scl. P. Z. S. 1859, p. 46¹; Cat. Birds Brit. Mus. xiv. p. 148²; Scl. & Salv. Ibis, 1859, p. 123, t. 4. f. 2³; P. Z. S. 1864, p. 359⁴; Salv. Ibis, 1860, p. 194⁵; P. Z. S. 1870, p. 197⁶; Lawr. Ann. Lyc. N. Y. vii. p. 328⁷, ix. pp. 112⁸, 201⁹; Mem. Bost. Soc. N. H. ii. p. 286¹⁰; Grayson, Pr. Bost. Soc. N. H. xiv. p. 279¹¹; Ridgway, Pr. U. S. Nat. Mus. viii. p. 571¹².

Elainea, sp.?, Scl. P. Z. S. 1856, p. 297, no. 113¹³.

Sylvia viridicata, Vieill. N. Diet. d'Hist. N. xi. p. 171¹⁴? (cf. Scl. Cat. Birds Brit. Mus. xiv. p. 148).

Muscicapa viridicata, d'Orb. Voy. Ois. p. 325¹⁵.

Elaeena regulus, Licht. Nomencl. p. 17¹⁶.